1.1.0 Eligibility

A person must be a Wisconsin resident to be eligible for MA. S/he must:

- Be physically present in Wisconsin. There is no required length of time the person has to have been physically present.
- 2. Express intent to reside here (1.2.0).

Example. This is George's first day in Wisconsin. He states that he intends to reside in Wisconsin. For MA purposes, George is a Wisconsin resident.

1.1.1 Migrant Farm Worker

A migrant who meets the following conditions is a Wisconsin resident:

- 1. His/her primary employment in Wisconsin is in the agricultural field or cannery work,
- 2. S/he is authorized to work in the US,
- 3. S/he is not related (immediate family) by blood or marriage to the employer (as distinguished from a "crewleader"), and
- 4. S/he routinely leaves an established place of residence to travel to another locality to accept seasonal or temporary employment.

1.2.0 Intent

Intent applies to any adult age 18 or older who is capable of indicating intent. An adult is incapable of indicating intent when:

- His/her I.Q. is 49 or less or s/he has a mental age of 7 or less, based on tests acceptable to Wisconsin's Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS); or
- 2. S/he is judged legally incompetent by a court of record; or

1.2.0 Intent

3. Medical documentation obtained from a physician, psychologist, or other person licensed by Wisconsin in the field of developmental disability supports a finding that s/he is incapable of indicating intent.

1.3.0 Determining Residence

1.3.1 Under Age 21

Not in institution. A person under age 21 and not residing in an institution is a Wisconsin resident if s/he is:

- 1. Living here more than temporarily.
- 2. Living here temporarily, not receiving MA from another state, and is a migrant farm worker or living with a family member who is a migrant farm worker.
- 3. Living in another state when Wisconsin or one of its county agencies has legal custody of him/her.
- 4. Living here and is an EBD MA case (the person's eligibility is based on blindness or disability).

In an institution. The residence of an institutionalized person under age 21 when his/her parents or legal guardian lives outside of Wisconsin is the state in which the parent or legal guardian states the institutionalized person is present, and intends to stay.

If the parents have abandoned him/her and no legal guardian has been appointed, his/her residence is the state in which the institution is, if the person making the MA application lives in that same state.

If s/he is married, his/her residence is the institution's state.

1.3.2 Age 21 or Over

In an institution. The residence of an institutionalized person aged 21 or over is the state in which s/he is residing with the intent to remain.

If s/he is incapable of indicating intent, his/her residence is determined in the same way as the residence of an instituonalized person under age 21.

1.4.0 Special Situations

1.4.1 SSP Payment

The State Supplementary Payment (SSP) is the portion of an SSI payment paid by a state, not by the federal government. An SSP recipient's residence is the state making the SSP payment.

1.4.2 IV-E Children

Federal financial participation is available under Title IV-E of the Social Security Act to pay for all or part of a person's foster care or subsidized adoption. IV-E eligible children are categorically eligible in the state where they reside. This policy applies only to children who are placed in not-for-profit facilities and it applies only to MA coverage. It does not affect any maintenance payments for substitute care.

1.4.3 Homeless Persons

A homeless person living in Wisconsin meets the requirement of being physically present in Wisconsin. The agency must, by using its own address or some other fixed address, make MA cards available to eligible applicants who have no fixed dwelling place or mailing address.

1.4.4 Non IV-E Foster Children

Wisconsin certifies non IV-E foster children living in another state when Wisconsin or one of its county/tribal agencies has legal custody of the child.

Non IV-E foster children are not categorically eligible. Determine their eligibility by taking the case through the MAHB or CARES.

1.5.0 Absence

Once established, Wisconsin residence is retained until abandoned. Being out-of-state, in and of itself, is not abandoning residence. Residence is not abandoned when an MA group or group member is temporarily out-of-state.

1.5.1 Temporary Absence

Temporary absence ends when another state determines the person is a resident there for MA purposes.

1.6.0 Effective Date of MA for SSI Recipients

SSI recipients who move to Wisconsin become eligible for MA in Wisconsin on the 1st of the next month.

1.6.0 Effective Date of MA for SSI Recipients (cont.)

Example. SSI recipient Mr. Nebble moves to Wisconsin from Vermont on 04-15-99. He is eligible in Vermont for April. He becomes eligible 05-01-99 in Wisconsin.

1.7.0 Wisconsin Veterans Home

Waupaca County receives and processes all MA applications and reviews for residents of the Wisconsin Veterans Home at King, regardless of the county of residence (IMM I, A 4.3.0).

1.8.0 Interstate Placements

An interstate placement occurs when a state or state contracted agency arranges for an individual to be admitted to an institution in another state.

"Arranges for" means any action by a state or statecontracted agency beyond providing information to the person or the person's family (or both). Don't consider the following to indicate interstate placement:

- 1. Giving information to individuals about another state's MA program.
- 2. Giving information to persons about the availability of health care services and facilities in another state.
- 3. Helping a person locate an institution in another state when that person is capable of indicating intent and independently decides to move.

When a state or state-contracted agency makes the placement, the state making the placement is the person's MA residence. The person's intent makes no difference. If Wisconsin places a person into an institution in Minnesota, Wisconsin remains the state of residence for MA even if the person expresses an intent to reside in Minnesota.

If Minnesota places a person in Wisconsin, Minnesota is the MA residence despite an indicated intent by the person to make his/her home in Wisconsin.

1.8.0 Interstate Placements (cont.)

Follow this rule even when placement is made by a state because that state lacks a sufficient number of appropriate facilities to provide services to its residents.

Use the general rule of residency when a competent person leaves an institution in which s/he was placed by another state. But if the person is not able to indicate intent, MA residence continues to be that of the state that made the placement.

1.8.1 Reciprocal Agreement

Wisconsin has a reciprocal agreement with some other states (see the list below) that persons who are in out-of-state institutions, but were not placed there as a result of an interstate placement, are the residents of the state where the institution is. For example, a person institutionalized in Wisconsin who would otherwise be considered a resident of Minnesota is a Wisconsin resident for MA purposes.

These are the states with whom we have this agreement:

Alabama Kentucky Pennsylvania S. Carolina Arkansas Maryland California Minnesota S. Dakota Florida Mississippi Texas Georgia **New Mexico** Virginia Idaho N. Dakota W. Virginia Kansas Ohio

1.8.2 Disputes

The state in which the person is physically present is the MA residence when two or more states disagree about the person's residence.

If you determine that a state other than Wisconsin is the person's legal residence, contact the other state about providing MA coverage.

1.9.0 Inmates

Do not count inmates of public institutions (40.2.0, #4) as members of the household. An inmate of a public institution is a person who is a prisoner in a jail, prison, or other correctional facility, and who does not reside outside of the institution for more than 24 hours at any one time.

1.9.0 Inmates (cont.)

If an inmate of a public institution is admitted, as an inpatient, to a medical institution for 24 hours or more, and is otherwise eligible, manually certify him/her for MA from the admission date through the discharge date.

Procedures for processing inmates of state facilities are covered in 1.9.1.

1.9.1 Inmates of State Correctional Institutions

Use the following process for inmates of state correctional institutions:

- Department of Corrections (DOC) staff submits a paper application (DES 12277 or DES 2034). The mailing address for the inmate will be the DOC central office. Superintendents of state correctional facilities (Wardens) may sign the application for the inmate. Refer to 1.9.2 for the list of state correctional facilities at which the Warden may sign the application.
- Process the inmate as a one-person household and code ANLA with a living arrangement of "01-Independent (Home/Apt/Trlr)".
- 3. If the inmate is between the ages of 19 and 64, and is not a pregnant woman, DOC will submit a Medicaid Disability Application (DES 3071) along with the MA application (DES 12277 or DES 2034). Forward the disability application to the Disability Determination Bureau (DDB), even if there is no Confidential Information Release Authorization Release to Disability Determination Bureau form (HFS-9D) signed by the inmate, and pend the MA application in CARES until a disability determination has been made. If the disability determination is not made within the 30-day processing period, send a manual notice to the designated DOC staff person that the MA eligibility determination has been delayed because additional information is needed.

Note: In many cases a Confidential Information Release Authorization – Release to Disability Determination Bureau form (HFS-9D) will not be necessary for DDB to obtain medical information from DOC. If a release is necessary, DDB will obtain it from DOC.

- 1.9.1 Inmates of State
 Correctional Institutions
 (cont.)
- 4. If the client is eligible, close the case in CARES by changing the request on ACPA for MA to "N". Suppress CARES generated notices for MA and any program the client has not requested. Manually certify the inmate with the appropriate medical status code (see below), from the hospital admission date through the date of discharge. If the client has not yet been discharged, certify the client from the date of admission through the estimated discharge date. Send a manual positive notice to DOC indicating the dates of eligibility.

Note: It is not necessary to provide a ten-day notice of termination for MA when the reason for termination is the return of the inmate to prison.

5. If the client is ineligible, confirm the denial on CARES, and allow CARES generated notices to be sent to the designated DOC staff person.

Category	Medical
	Status Codes
Minors Under 18	
Income Below AFDC-Related	38
Categorically Needy Limit	
Income Below AFDC-Related Medically	39
Needy Limit	
18-year-olds	
Income Below AFDC-Related	38
Categorically Needy Limit	
Pregnant Women	
Income Below AFDC-Medicaid Limit	31
Income Below AFDC-Related	38
Categorically Needy Limit	
Income Below AFDC-Related Medically	39
Needy Limit	
Income Below Healthy Start Categorically	PW
Needy Limit	
60-day Extension Period	E3
Income Below Healthy Start Medically	P1
Needy Limit	
60-day Extension Period	E4
Elderly	
Income and Assets Below SSI-Related	4
Categorically Needy Limit	
SSI-Related Medically Needy	5

1.9.1 Inmates of State Correctional Institutions (cont.)

Category	Medical
	Status Codes
Blind	
Income and Assets Below SSI-Related	14
Categorically Needy Limit	
SSI-Related Medically Needy	15
Disabled	
Income and Assets Below SSI-Related	22
Categorically Needy Limit	
SSI-Related Medically Needy	23
Undocumented Aliens	AE

1.9.2. State Correctional Institutions

Brown

Green Bay Correctional Institution
Sanger Powers Correctional Institution

Chippewa

Highview Correctional Institution Stanley Correctional Institution

Columbia

Columbia Correctional Institution

Crawford

Prairie du Chien Correctional Facility (Division of Juvenile Corrections)

Dane

Oakhill Correctional Institution Oregon Correctional Institution Thompson Correctional Institution

Dodge

John Burke Correctional Center Dodge Correctional Institution Fox Lake Correctional Institution Waupun Correctional Institution

Douglas

Gordon Correctional Center

Fond du Lac

McNaughton Correctional Center Taycheedah Correctional Institution

1.9.2. State Correctional Institutions (cont.)

Grant

Supermax Correctional Institution

Jackson

Black River Correctional Institution Jackson Correctional Institution

Kenosha

Kenosha Correctional Center

Lincoln

Lincoln Hills School (Division of Juvenile Corrections)

Milwaukee

Marshall Sherrer Correctional Center Milwaukee Secure Detention Facility Milwaukee Women's Correctional Facility Felmers O'Chaney Correctional Center

Racine

Robert Ellsworth Correctional Center Racine Correctional Institution Racine Youthful Offender Correctional Facility Southern Oaks Girls School

St. Croix

St. Croix Correctional Center

Sauk

New Lisbon Correctional Center

Sawyer

Flambeau Correctional Center

Sheboygan

Kettle Moraine Correctional Institution

Waukesha

Ethan Allen School (Division of Juvenile Corrections)

Waushara

Redgranite Correctional Institution

Winnebago

Drug Abuse Correctional Center Oshkosh Correctional Institution

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1.9.2. State Correctional Institutions (cont.)

Winnebago Correctional Center Wisconsin Resource Center (Department of Health and Family Services)